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September 25, 2007

Mr. Jeff Algee
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Dear Jeff:

In response to the one (1) item of noncompliance, found during the August 8th, 2007 inspection and listed in your department's letter of September 4th, 2007.

I wrote the enclosed letter to the Lab Supervisor, Dr. Shabana Khan, on September 14th. I had a meeting with Dr. Khan and her Postdoctoral Research Associate, Dr. Vamsi Madgula on September 14th. Dr. Khan decided to have me remove the radioactive material from Room 2056 of the Natural Products Center (NPC) and declassify the lab.

The Radiation Safety Committee (RSC) met on September 18th. I presented the RSC members with copies of the inspection report. I also brought them up to date on the decision of Dr. Khan to declassify Room 2056 in NPC. The RSC recommended that I proceed with the declassification of the lab.

I removed the radioactive materials and performed a Declassification Survey on Sept. 19th. The results of this survey allowed the lab to be declassified on September 25th.

I also intend to investigate the requirement of installing secure radioactive materials boxes, inside of the refrigerators and freezers, where radioactive materials are to be stored. If you need further information, please notify me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

W. Scott Rone
Radiation Safety Coordinator/RSO

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Sept 14, 2007

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Dr. Khan:

On September 12th, 2007, I received the results of an Inspection made by the Mississippi State Department of Health, on August 8, 2007. During this Inspection, the inspector found that Room 2056, of the Natural Products Center, was left unlocked. This is considered an item of noncompliance, since this laboratory was unattended, it contained licensed materials and it was a controlled access lab.

As detailed in the Radiological Safety Agreement, please remember that your continued approval to use Radioactive Materials, at the University of Mississippi, is contingent on your agreement to abide by the regulations covered in the current University Radiation Safety Manual, as well as any subsequent additions or revisions.

I have included a copy of the "Official Notice of Inspection Findings." I will be more than happy to arrange a meeting to discuss this Violation with you, your research personnel and any other personnel that have access to this lab. I hope that we can work together to prevent this from happening again.

If you need further information, please notify me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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